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Dear Congressman Inhofe:

This is in reply to your letter of February 24, 1993, in which you inquired on behalf of several of your constituents regarding the Notice of Proposed Rule Making (Notice) in PR Docket No. 92-235, 57 FR 54034 (1992). This Notice proposes comprehensive changes to the Commission's Rules governing the private land mobile radio services operating in the frequency bands below 512 MHz.

Your constituents are specifically concerned about the impact of these changes on radio control (R/C) hobby users. Enclosed is a discussion paper concerning our proposals for the 72-76 MHz band. In short, we expect there would be no adverse impact on R/C operations because of any proposal contained in the Notice.

We are, of course, sensitive to the concerns of both users of private land mobile radio spectrum and R/C hobbyists. We will, therefore, take your constituents' concerns into account when we develop final rules in this proceeding. As indicated in the <u>Notice</u>, we remain convinced that without significant regulatory change in radio operations in the bands below 512 MHz, the quality of communications in the private land mobile radio services will continue to deteriorate to the point of endangering public safety and the national economy.

We want to thank you for your interest in this proceeding. Your constituents' letters will be included in the record of the proceeding. We expect final rules to be issued in 1994.

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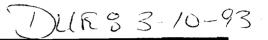
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February 24, 1993

The Honorable James Ouello Interim Chairman Federal Communications Commission 1919 M Street, NW Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Chairman Ouello:

Over the last several weeks, I have been made aware of a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (Docket No. 92-235) by the FCC which could have the unintended consequence of adversely affecting radio controlled model aircraft.

It is my understanding that the intention of the FCC is to create new private land mobile radio channels by splitting existing channels between 72 and 512 MHz. This proposal has, at the minimum, the potential of limiting the availability of channels for mobil radio operators and more importantly creating an unsafe environment for the operation of radio controlled model aircraft.

I would appreciate receiving any analysis you have done on how this proposed rule will effect radio controlled model aircraft and more importantly, how this change would affect the safe operations of these aircraft.

Thank you for your time and efforts in this regard.

Sincerely,

Member of Congress

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